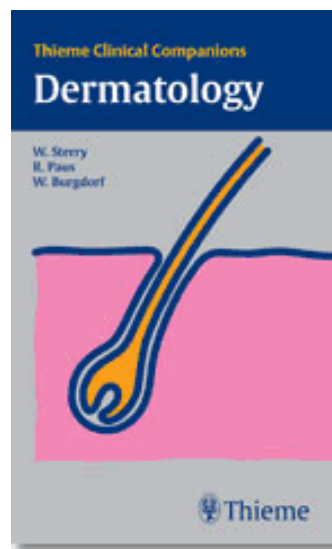


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The contents of this pocket book cover essential information on how to diagnose and treat the full range of dermatologic diseases. Besides that, the basic aspects of skin biology and disease pathophysiology are also covered. The book is divided in five color-coded sections. In the first section the reader can get an overview of the basic data on the biology and anatomy of the skin and the principles of diagnosis in dermatology. In the second, largest section there are 37 chapters in which the main dermatologic diseases are covered. Some of them are viral, bacterial, fungal and other infectious diseases, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV infection and AIDS, allergic diseases, drug reactions, different types of dermatitis, collagen-vascular disorders, autoimmune bullous diseases, purpura and vasculitis, papulosquamous disorders, granulomatous and necrobiotic disorders, dermatoses caused by physical and chemical agents, metabolic diseases, pruritus and prurigo, genodermatoses, disorders of pigmentation, melanocytic tumors, cysts and epidermal tumors, adnexal tumors, soft tissue tumors, cutaneous lymphomas and leukemias, paraneoplastic disorders, diseases of the lips and oral mucosa, diseases of the hair and scalp, diseases of the nails, disorders of sweat glands, diseases of sebaceous glands, diseases of subcutaneous fat, anogenital diseases, phlebology, occupational dermatoses, and skin diseases in different age groups. Each



disease described in this chapter is very systematically presented in several paragraphs on definition, epidemiology, pathogenesis, clinical features, histology, diagnostic approach, differential diagnosis and therapy. Color pictures are included in the text. Very useful and systematic tables are inserted in text and are very helpful to the reader.

In the next section, therapeutic possibilities in dermatology are described; in the first chapter different aspects of topical and in the next chapter different aspects of systemic therapy. The following chapter describes radiation therapy, therapy during pregnancy and nursing, operative dermatology, wound healing and dermatologic emergencies.

In the last two sections there are three very useful appendices with tabular overview of common systemic medications, favorite compounding recipes and dermatologic differential diagnosis.

This pocket guide, compiled by experienced physicians and professors, describes diagnostic and therapeutic approach for a wide range of skin diseases. In more than 300 color illustrations, diagrams, checklists, etc. most important data from the text are systematically presented. This book is recommended as a helpful portable guide for dermatovenereologists, residents and trainees in their everyday work.

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